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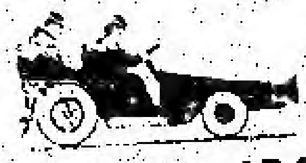

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Weekly whirligg

By K. W.

Awful Slackers . . . . A petitely exuberant Nisei lass, who gives you the impression that she's getting a great kick just out of being alive, popped into the office and out again last night. One sentence from a torrential tumult of words has stuck in my memory: "Gosh, aren't Nisei boys awful slackers!"

It's stuck there because as much as my male ego hates to admit it, I think it's a penetratingly accurate observation for one so young. Verily, out of the lips of babes . . . .

Her charge is based upon a purely pet peeve. But looking more broadly at the entire range of Nisei activity, one can't get away from the impression that the average Nisei girl has a load more "git" and "up and at 'em" spirit that her brawnier brother.

That word, "slacker", kept pushing its way into my mind later. In conversations with a military officer regarding the Nisei enlisting in the army, I pointed to the number of instances of rejections. But he expressed the thought that perhaps the few Nisei who had been able to join the army, had got in because they knew how and also had what it takes.

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Winter Snows . . . . There seems to be a-brewing a conspiracy against "snow for Christmas". The metropolitan dailies and the vernacular press (I mustn't say "rags") turn away shudderingly from the thought of it. It's a shameful thing! It's a gross attempt to influence the weatherman to visit upon us rain and fog for Christmas. A plague on it!

As one who comes from the winty interior I dismiss it, with only a chilly sniff for this coastal debility. Let's have a week of good, gracing, sub-freezing weather to put life into us. And when the snow softens and melts—well, who among us has never taken aim with a juicy snowball, or never known the thrill of chasing a matchstick down the swirling gutter! Please Santa, lots of snow for Christmas.

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Lacrimae Rerum . . . . This forthcoming season of the year is a time for joyous goodwill, for peace of heart and happiness of mind.

And yet, this week, in a passing mood one finds the gaiety of neon lights, the rumble of traffic, the rush of crowds a dimly, disturbing element. For on every hand, wherever one turns, one sees indeed a thread of tragedy, an unfulfillment of purpose, the "lacrimae rerum."

This afternoon I sat and counted . . . an aging Issei, nearing his three score and ten, and realizing how low the sands do run . . . a young man from Japan facing an impasse in his career and blaming himself for bringing it to pass . . . a Nisei girl steeling herself to put away from her all those things that every normal girl cherishes as her normal function . . . a young boy wasting his talent and brains because his backbone is weak . . . a Nisei young man bumping ineffectually against a "ceiling" . . . a family bereaved in the sudden loss of a daughter.

We patter on an ineffectual typewriter, thinking what happiness we could wrought if only it were a magic wand!

On the Newsfront

Disastrous Fire Levels Herring Camp to Ground

NORTH GALIANO ISLAND. — Fanned by strong winds a disastrous fire swept through the Ode herring camp here Wednesday night, leveling cannery, bunkhouses, mess house, and destroying fishing gear and a scow. Some 26 Nisei girls were reported to have lost all belongings in the fire and to have been left without shelter in the freezing night, until they were accommodated in neighbouring camps.

Emiko Shikaze Wins Mission Japanese Oratory Contest

MISSION.—Miss Emiko Shikaze won first place in the Japanese oratorical contest sponsored by the Mission Seinenkai and held last Sunday at the Mission Japanese Hall.

Post-Mortem Reveals Death by Drowning

VANCOUVER.—Death by drowning was the verdict given by Dr. Hunter, city coroner, following a post-mortem on the body of Marion Takahira, which was found on the beach of the Point Grey Indian reserve, just one month after she was first reported missing. The girl's father identified the body.

Cyclist Badly Injured in Powell Street Accident

VANCOUVER.—Seriously injured in a tremendous collision, which occurred Wednesday night at the corner of Powell and Jackson, when his southbound motorcycle struck an eastbound auto driven by H. S. Okumura, 26-year old Roy Taylor is in "very poor" condition in the General Hospital.

U.S. Admiral Pleads For Understanding Nisei

SAN DIEGO. — Rear Admiral Charles Blakely, 11th Naval District commander, proved himself more than ever a true friend of the Nisei, when he appealed for understanding in behalf of American citizens of Japanese ancestry here. The commander urged that Nisei be given jobs even in national defence industries.

Lethbridge Nisei Youth To Go Overseas Shortly

LETHBRIDGE.—Awaiting a call at any moment to go overseas with his unit is Tom Matsuoka, who returned home last week on his final leave. The whole community turned out en masse to honor him before his departure.

THEY SLAPPED ON THE 5808th LABEL

We dined and joked together late yesterday afternoon in a Powell Street chop suey house. Half a dozen rugged, jovial and greying first generation fishermen, and a score of younger men and women resting after an afternoon of h u s t l e and bustle.

In record time they had just finished slapping on the 5,808th label on a can of Fraser River chum salmon. Packed into 67 cases, the three and a quarter tons of British Columbia fish will shortly go aboard a freighter, consigned as a gift of food to the people of Great Britain.

Contributed by the Upper Fraser Japanese Fishermen's Association, the salmon will be distributed by the Red Cross Society.

Two months ago fishermen from the Upper Fraser area conceived the i d e a and promptly put it into action. They caught the fish, secured the co-operation of canning companies and Chinese labor contractors and, secured cash donations from Japanese fish packers to cover transportation and cost of labels. The fisheries office issued an export permit, the food inspectors went to work,

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NEWSPAPERS STRESS NISEI LOYALTY URGE CAUTION

VANCOUVER — The Japanese Canadian community in British Columbia is continuing to get a break from the newspapers in Canada.

In an editorial yesterday the Vancouver News-Herald, commenting upon the possible situation "if war comes" declared:

"Looking ahead, at the thing we hope will not happen, it seems to us that those who would stir up racial hatreds in British Columbia would be the real "fifth columnists" in the Battle of the Pacific.

"We would be in a unique position domestically, too. This province would have within its borders the largest concentration of Japanese in a continent at war with Japan. That circumstance would call for the exercise of the greatest caution and common sense upon the part of all our residents," says the editorial.

"The real danger would arise from hot-headed minorities, amongst the Japanese and amongst ourselves, whose talk and actions could easily set a match to a dynamite-laden situation."

Canadian Press Story

Most recent of the news-stories describing the sentiment of the second generation Japanese was released last wek-end over the nation-wide wire services of the Canadian Press.

Some 90 leadings newspapers in Canada are members of this national co-operative news-gathering association, so that the story will have reached a very large number of Canadians from coast to coast.

The 600-word situational account was written by Herbert Jones, Vancouver staff writer, who said that the C.P. tried to be unbiased, and to give all sides to any question.

"British Columbia's problem children"—thousands of second generation Japanese schooled now in the western way of life—face calmly the posibility of war in the Pacific, even though their white Canadian neighbours may view their expressions of loyalty to Canada with doubt", says the story.

"Spokesmen for the Nisei—Canadian-born Japanese—say their one wish for Nippon is that she will break with the Axis powers for her own sake.

"Quoting the editor of The New Canadian, the writer says the "Canadian-born Japanese wish only to be loyal Canadians, to fight in this war for Canada, and to be given rights as citizens of the country."

Control Brings Difficulties

VANCOUVER—Price control moved in on everybody Monday last, and the general consensus of opinion is that if necessary adjustments can be made, it is all for the best.

With wages pegged, bonuses few and far between, and salary levels very slow to rise, as is admittedly true in the Japanese community, Consumer-san and family, is glad to see some halt put to the rise in the cost of living.

While the exact working of the vast control scheme is pretty foggy to most people, the concrete results are obvious or will become so very soon.

Some difficulty is expected locally in the case of considerable numbers of citizens engaged in personal services, such as tailoring and dressmaking. In most instances, however, rates were raised prior to the base period of September 15 to October 11.

Some merchants are absorbing considerable losses, however, and it is hoped that the organization set-up of control will be pushed in order that adjustments may be effected.

These losses in some cases are due to the decided lag of retail prices behind wholesale prices. Imported goods form another basic difficulty. And goods, the price of which has risen very sharply since the base period and which move from shelves quickly are causing considerable losses to dealers. Rice is the most notable product in this respect.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR

VANCOUVER—The International Labor Office, now located in Montreal and formerly an outstanding branch of the League of Nations in Geneva, is interested in local minority problems, C. W. Jenks, legal adviser to the office said in informal conversations Wednesday with representatives from the Japanese community.

Keep Traditions To Supplement Loyalty Urges U.B.C. Dean

VANCOUVER — Keep the best traditions of your native land, but only to supplement your loyalty to Canada.

Such was the message that Dean Daniel Buchanan gave to 56 second generation Canadians who gathered at a unique dinner with an equal number of leading Vancouver citizens last Friday under auspices of the Vancouver Canadian Club.

Punctuating his remarks with his well-known humour, Dean Buchanan sketched the background of Canadian history, pointing to the main streams of peoples in the Canadian nation and the political influences which had shaped it.

Today he felt that the Canadian nation was distinguished by its congolomerate mixture of peoples, by the freedom which it enjoyed, by the keen observance of its laws, and by the growing sense of unity.

Canadians, he declared, would not pay any attention to the backgrounds or ancestors of new citizens, as long as they upheld the traditions of this country. It is the task for second generation citizens, he concluded, to leave behind them those feelings of division and hatred that rend Europe today.

Thanking the Club for the guests, F. H. Swenciziskey, urged that Canadians of British origin could be more Canadian if they attempted to let down the barriers that do exist between Canadians of differing racial origin.

A. E. Jukes, Club president, presided, and among head table guests were: Howard Green, M.P., Sir Francis Heathcote, and S. E. Raymer, official court interpreter. Kanao Naruse, Yoshimitsu Higashi and Tom Shoyama were Niseis attending.

Christmas Issue Due

Regular issues of The New Canadian will appear for three weeks in December, bringing you the highlights of the Nisei world, as well as editorial comment, articles and columns.

A special Christmas and New Year supplement will be issued just before Christmas Day. The biggest issue ever published is promised our readers—filled with stimulating features and entertaining articles. The best literary talent among local Nisei is lending its efforts to establish new standards for The New Canadian.

Don't forget too that you can aid this Nisei publication and save yourself time and money by conveying the season's greetings to all your friends through a personal greeting in the Christmas issue.

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Price Control—Test For Citizens

SEVERAL days of price control have served above all else to illustrate just how difficult it is going to be to make this vast and complicated experiment a practical success. Innumerable instances of losses, both large and small, have been reported. And many merchants, dealers, and "service" people, as well as the general public, are as yet confused as to the exact implications of the "ceiling" order, and what must be done to observe it.

In short it is being brought home to us more vividly than ever just how vast, how far-reaching, how complex, is this attempt to stop inflation—to check and hold back the powerful tide of rising prices.

There are not many of us ordinary citizens sufficiently trained in the dismal science of economics, or sufficiently well-acquainted with the theory of price control, as to be able to understand just how all the necessary adjustments can actually be worked out. But we have this assurance that the Government has adopted this plan only after much investigation, only in answer to a very desperate need, and only after concluding that there is a reasonable chance for practical success.

Yet it is clear to any reasonable man that such success is possible only if the rank and file of the people accept this law willingly and are themselves determined to make it work.

Our Japanese community has always been noted for an exemplary criminal record. Now we have placed before us the job of carrying out a positive observance of the law. It is in fact a direct and stimulating challenge to the quality of our own citizenship.

Each one of us shares the responsibility of campaigning here at home in the battle against what is generally recognized as the chief internal danger facing our own and our country's welfare—the vicious and always rapidly-accelerating spiral of inflation. Everyone of us is serving in our own defence, in the defence of our country, when we go out determined to do our part to make this experimental project an actual, functioning, effective policy of control.

The Government's Confidence

ONE of the more interesting comments upon the current Washington-Tokyo talks was made recently by a leading Washington correspondent, who declared that President Roosevelt had an important advantage in the negotiations, because he had full assurance that in the event of a "shooting" war, the 120,000 Americans of Japanese descent would remain fully loyal to the United States.

It is of interest to us particularly because the question may well be asked if the Canadian Government reposes the same confidence in the loyalty of Japanese Canadians as the American Government seems to do in the case of Japanese Americans.

Happily for all concerned the answer seems to be a decided yes.

At the beginning of the year the Prime Minister himself declared to the House of Commons that the Government was satisfied that the vast majority of Japanese Canadians were fully loyal to Canada. Since then there is no reason to believe that the Government has changed its mind.

The assurance of the Federal authorities is perhaps chiefly grounded in the report submitted by the expert investigating committee of last fall and winter. It is backed up however, as our community leaders will acknowledge, by the sympathetic insight of the members of the special advisory committee on the Oriental question, as well as by the remarkable degree of co-operation given by the Japanese public to the special registration carried out by Federal police. It is logical to assume, moreover, that the Federal police and the military intelligence are well posted on feeling and sentiment in our community and that they have found no evidence to show that such confidence is misplaced.

There is, therefore, ample reason to believe that the Federal Government places a considered trust in the loyalty of the Japanese Canadian community. There is reason to believe that responsible authorities are anxious to avo'd any obviously unjust policy likely to injure that feeling of loyalty. Indeed, it may not be going to far to suggest that in the event of a "shooting war", the Government would take steps to lend us its protection and to prevent any unfortunate and undeserved incidents, likely to prejudice our loyalty to Canada.

On the other hand, it is clearly our responsibility to justify that trust confidence. It is clearly our first duty to guard against, and to watch unceasingly for, subversive or disloyal elements that would betray that trust and invite disaster upon our own heads.

Opportunity Draws No Line

(KIMMIS HARTLEY HENDRICK in The Christian Science Monitor)

Down in Cynthiana, Kentucky, a 79-year-old Negro has returned to the principalship of Banneker High School. He returns, according to The Courier-Journal, of Louisville, not just from summer vacation, but from the University of Cincinnati. And he returns wearing the degree of Bachelor of Science, which he has earned after years and years of effort, wrought at such expense of self-sacrifice and continuous high purpose as only the great will pay.

Prof. William Eli Newsom was born of parents who came out of slavery. He went with his mother to Central Tennessee College, until circumstances required that he get a job as houseboy. It was some time before he could get back to college, obtain a teacher's certificate, and begin, as an educator among his people, a career which has earned their affectionate regard over a long period. And although he holds the honorary degree of Master of Arts from a Negro college in the South for having written a book of verse, Professor Newsom, having seen more than threescore years and ten, now has what his heart has long desired—a university degree well merited.

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This story is worth the telling because it refutes once more a notion too widely held that the Negro is inherently incapable of original thinking unless he comes of mixed blood. One reason for refuting this notion is the need Americans have right now to protect themselves, by clear thinking, against all the insinuations which make for racial prejudice. Especially do those of the white race, advantaged as they are, need to remember that the heritage of progress which we call today's civilization is now threatened, not by people of another race, but by believers in racial supremacy.

Supremacy is a cultural attainment for the individual. The plain need of people economically and socially encumbered by outside factors as well as by their own immaturity is for more of the inspiration, more of the impulsion to progress which comes to them when one of their own number rises above the ordinary. Of course American society owes the Negro, as it owes the Indian or the Jew, the same equality of opportunity which the Nordic owes and claims for himself. But most of all it owes—and is disposed to give— —recognition to all who surmount handicaps of birth in the service of mankind. Nothing could be more tragic than for Americans to heed racial exclusivists who fail to reckon that out of any group can step an individual—a man, a person, a qualified servant of democracy.

Not long ago I read a letter from a Negro woman who had risen to a high sphere of usefulness in this world. She spoke of the disillusionment which tempted her when first, as a girl, she realized how set against her hopes were the prejudices of the people around her. She fretted against fortune. And then, she said, she began to realize that it is growth from within which holds the secret of opportunity and unlimited furtherance. She resolutely put aside the demanding attitude toward the world. She began to demand of herself and her abilities. And according to her own testimony, she had thus found the way of happiness, the way of expanding usefulness.

Letters to the Editor:

IN DEFENCE of the JCCL CONVENTION

Editor, The New Canadian—Dear Sir: May I congratulate Mr. Roger Obata as a champion of perseverance, initiative, practical opportunism, above all "guts"—his personal experience seems beautiful evidence of the achievements and rewards of such characteristics. Mr. Obata's invigorating discourse on training for a practical vocation and of pioneering into the East are to be sincerely appreciated and taken into serious consideration.

"Many of his sentiments as regards J.C.C.L. Conventions are perhaps well founded. But his total condemnation of the last J.C.C.L. Convention is a subject of controversy. If his interests in Nisei problems are as sincere as I hope they are—why could not he have overcome personal, passive cynicism and forwarded to the J.C.C.L. executive before the Confab, his feelings and beliefs about vocations, about definite opportunities in the East, particularly in Toronto, with reference to the cost of living, etc., for the benefit of our more ambitious Niseis?

If he felt the J.C.C.L. might have been able to conduct such a practical approach to vocational training as he implies in his letter—why in Heaven's name didn't he express himself before the Convention, when the Nisei representatives could have made at least a start at serious consideration and possible action towards vocational training. The J.C.C.L. is a Nisei organization, basically endeavouring to make better the lot of the Niseis in Canadian society. For that purpose it needs Nisei intellect, whose knowledge, training and experience affords the most powerful stimulant to their fellow Niseis. Criticize the J.C.C.L. but get behind its motives and lend a help!

Results of the Convention

Mr. Obata states that the results of the last Convention were nil. Certainly it afforded no jobs—because these delegates who attended were not big business magnates or professional men whose economic status held influence over employment. They were merely average Niseis, youthful, struggling Niseis enlightened enough to support such Conventions. The best they could do was to take back to their respective communities information and suggestions of prospective employment.

Achievements

One of the biggest achievements, I feel, was publicity — public announcements of the meeting, encouraging addresses by prominent citizens, resolutions of Nisei loyalty, of the right to military service. Through what better means can we Niseis show en masse our activities in citizenship, our devotions, our mental alertness? Insignificant, vague non-essentials? Definitely no! Any thinking individual will realize that in our democratic nation, intelligent citizens are the backbone of our nation.

What about the Oratorical contest? Those excellent speeches and the spirit shown by the contestants are not to be slighted. The discussions perhaps were based on too lengthy a program and proposed objectives not achieved. It is only as Niseis mature more and can afford more time and expense for longer conventions that greater results will show.

As a means of developing leadership, the convention is invaluable. No one, I am sure, will question the need for Nisei leaders during this war period and doubtlessly more than ever before, after the War. Personally I feel the social intercourse gained through the Convention constitutes the greatest individual satisfaction.

Mental Apathy

Pierre Von Passen in his "Days of Our Youth," a best seller, states that any minority living under restrictions and discrimination tend to resign themselves to their situation; a state of mental apathy follows—to forget the hardships of daily labor, the uppermost thoughts in their minds are entertainment, parties, dances, drinking. Isn't this true of Niseis generally speaking? We tend to be too materialistic, too prone to accept an Epicurean philosophy of life.

There is a need to get out and meet people who show interests aside from just good times, to hear stimulating addresses, to develop more aggressive qualities, to rouse ourselves from the mental doldrums of indifference and resignation. From experience I can say this has been achieved to a certain extent by J.C.C.L. Conventions.

Our Conventions do have many fallacies—fallacies intelligent Niseis must fathom and correct but by and in the large, Conventions prove their worth and amongst a minority group such as ourselves, they are something we must keep developing.

TARO YONEDA

Edmonton, Alta.

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'Hath not a Jew eyes!'

(An Editorial from the NEWS-LETTER of the "Conference Between Americans of Occidental and Oriental Ancestry, Los Angeles.)

THE "Japanese problem", so-called, is probably not the important racial issue in the United States. At this present hour there is more widespread bitterness towards the Jew than the Japanese. The prejudice shown toward the Negro has more important effects upon the life of this nation because the Negro has suffered longer and is of far greater number than the Japanese.

The reason why the Japanese in this country make demand upon our interest is that they are closest to us; they have here in Southern California their largest population centre in the country. They, with the Mexican, are our local test of the claims of democracy and Christian brotherhood. Whether we can learn to include them as equals in our economy and in our government and in our religious fellowship is our immediate and local challenge.

Let us whenever the situation allows not treat the Japanese Americans as a special case, but as another and legitimate portion of our inter-racial and international population. Let us see these folk as Shakespeare asked us to see the Jew. For may not they say in the spirit of the Jewish "Merchant of Venice": "I am a Japanese American. Hath not a Japanese American eyes? hath not a Japanese American hands, organs, dimensions, senses, affections, passions? fed with the same food, hurt with the same weapons, subject to the same diseases, healed by the same means, warmed and cooled by the same winter and summer as a Christian is"? Or can we not conclude with the proud Christian Jew of Tarsus, Paul, that God "hath made of one blood all nations of men."

We shall not attempt here to answer the stock questions about the supposed Japanese menace in this land: Is Terminal Island a centre of operations for the Japanese navy? Do the language schools teach loyalty to the Japanese emperor? What of the dangers of inter-racial marriage? Does not the Japanese workingman unfairly compete with the Caucasian farmer or laborer by his lower standard of living? Our single purpose in this crisis hour should be to answer the more fundamental query: Are the Japanese Americans people?

We must lift our considerations of any racial group above the vicious, impersonal abstractions like the sinister Mr. Moto and the dainty Madame Butterfly. All the facts, statistics, and arguments that could be summoned to prove the patriotism, culture, or economic value of the Japanese to the United States are not adequate to our concern. Unless we can demonstrate that they are ordinary human beings, even as you and I, deserving common brotherhood and equal opportunity, all our facts and figures are for nothing. Even the most scientific research will not change the mind of the man who has already pre-judged the minority race. Even cold reason will not much correct the often times sentimental and superficial pity handed down by the members of a majority race. This condescension is often the sin of even Christian organizations.

Let us instead then know these Japanese in America as people.

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By T. M. K.

It is good to be able to turn one's hand to a variety of things. Such "turn-ability" prevents helplessness in the face of adversity.

Those who have led a padded, sheltered life, insulated against hard knocks, can scarcely hope to prevail against an indifferent, competitive world. One often hears of the economic or social parasites, unable to scratch themselves, depending on the goodwill and services of others. Too often these helpless people become prey to a bloated ego of quivering self-centredness. Much as they grate on the nerves of the go-getter, the doer, they are to be pitied. Happily for this world of ours, such people are the exception and not the rule.

Anyone who can face trouble squarely, who can dig ditches in a pinch, scrub floors, wait on tables, go without things, hasn't the time to indulge in self-pity. He would be so busy scraping through on a shoe-string, so busy watching for the main chance, the opportunity that comes to those that can grab it, as to have no time to moan over what is lost.

Most of us have only our two hands, our intelligence, and our initiative to make our way in this world. We can but use them to the uttermost.

Once it was said to a few students: *Be content with what you have, but never be satisfied with what you are.*

Discontent is just as ruinous as smug complacency. If you have only a little . . . . . say, one talent, as in that parable . . . . . the thing to do is not to bury it, but to use it well. How many of us have gifts we never think of using . . . merely because it is buried deep within us. If we know we have it, is it not to our own benefit to bring it out into the light and put it to work?

Can we afford to mummify our initiative merely because of "what will people think," "it's never been done before," "what if I fail" attitudes? Horace Greeley said: "Go west, young man." He pointed to the untrodden western lands where a man with initiative could become something. Today there is little actual frontier-land, but there are plenty of newer fields where gumption and grit can carve a niche.

It takes a foresight and a preparedness to endure, that no technical education will give, but technical education has a way of easing the obstacles out of the path. What if we dig ditches now? Let us be trained, ready to do the things that lie within us! Let us not be satisfied with our meager lot, but strive to fulfil the talents inherent in each one of us.

Above all, let us be content; if after doing our best, the best is little.

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NIGHT THOUGHTS

Across the wind-free place
roofed high with space
great waves of silence roll:
soundless tides submerge the earth,
until, night-purged,
it floats at rest, a lookout nest
upon the crest of time.
Loosed from the inching speeds of day,
thought, eager, terse,
shuttles the starry universe.

A. S. L.

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BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

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By CINDERELLA

Open Letter to Santa Claus

It's a good three weeks before Christmas, and seated at my old typewriter, I suddenly thought it was high time I wrote you a letter . . . a thing which I never did when I was little, for I was brought up like so many Nisei children, in a practical work-a-day world, where money was something which meant warm clothing, food and new shoes for school.

Dear Santa Claus . . . . that's how one starts a letter, isn't it? I used to laugh at my friends who sat down with furrowed brow and stubby pencil to pen these very words . . . because you were something that stood at every street corner, smiling at little children who believed, and which, I, in my realistic way, called "foolishness", because I knew you to be the man next door who had been hired by the day by Spencers' to be nice to children, and worse, being paid for doing the job.

O I was smart in those days. I never wrote you letters because I thought I knew all the answers. O sure, I wanted things . . . like an American beauty doll with real eyelashes, a velvet dress, a pair of shiny patent slippers . . . but I was too smart to ask for them. I thought the only way to get them was to go out for them myself.

Today, I know that if I had believed a little, believed even just enough, even to the point of writing something in my childish scrawl, things might have worked toward making a part of my wishes being realized. But, oh no, I knew all the answers! And so while my friends dreamed wonderful dreams, I accepted surface facts and their subsequent cold results.

In about three weeks Christmas will be with us, and with the times as they are, when the rumble of guns, the sound of destruction and the whispers of hate coming nearer and nearer, encroaching upon our little private worlds, the fact of Christmas seems like a farce.

Then, I think of you, Santa Claus . . . . and the injustice I did to you. I think of my small self, trying so hard to change my childhood friends out of their simple faith . . . . striving so hard to tell them that there was no such person as yourself, no Santa Claus. Did it stop them from dreaming and hoping? Did it kill that bright expectant light in their eyes when they saw you, with your red coat, your long white whiskers . . . . at every street corner, parcelling out your happy promises? No! For one child turned cynic, there were a thousand made happy, filled with the strange delights and the hopes of Christmas-tide.

There are things in this old world of our which never change. If truths seem to change, it is ourselves who have changed.

Perhaps this letter has no place in your Christmas fan-mail. But it is one that I have been wanting to write to you for a long time. May you stand at every street corner with your bag of promises for children . . . of every age and generation.

CINDERELLA.

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When the Postman Rang

Dear Cinderella:

Your simple rule of right and left
May betray and make you bereft.

Someday it may be
That I meet you at a tea,
I then shall be very deft
To place you next to me on the left;
Another maid equally sweet in my sight
Will naturally have to go to my right
Then, solemnly,
To you first I shall courteous be!

Ah! would it for greater distinction?
Or apparent age
Would you be honored?
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TOWN TOPICS

• Nisei Christian Fellowship . . .

Mr. Bee, former missionary to Japan, now residing in the city, will be the guest speaker at the Nisei Christian Fellowship meeting to be held this Saturday evening, December 6, commencing at 8 p.m. at the Celtic Cannery Schoolhouse. Added features are brief reports from delegates to the recent Y.P.C.C. Conference, and a specially arranged musical programme.

A cordial invitation is extended to all those interested in the movement. The Celtic Cannery Schoolhouse can be reached by taking a number 7 street car to 41st avenue and Blenheim street. A car going to and from the car line will take one to the Schoolhouse.

• JCCL Executive

An important meeting of Vancouver Chapter JCCL executives will be held Monday night, December 8, at the home of President Dr. George Ishiwara.

• Post Nuptial Reception . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Oike, nee Yaeko Tamemoto, of Steveston, entertained their many friends at a post-nuptial housewarming and dance party at their home in Haney last Saturday, November 29.

• Visitors . . .

A large influx of Niseis from the West Coast has been seen about town during the last week. Hailing from Tofino are Thomas Madokoro, Charlie Nakatsu, and Takeo Tofa. Out from Clayoquot taking in the big city are Peter Karatsu and William Okada.

• Marriage Vows . . .

This coming Monday, December 8, at the Hompa Buddhist Church, Toshiko, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kariya of Steveston, will exchange marriage vows with Mr. Takeo Saknaye, of Tofino.

Immediately after the five o'clock ceremony at which Rev. Tachibana will officiate, a reception will be held at the Fuji.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. Nakade and Mr. and Mrs. Y. Omori are nakaudos for the happy event.

• Hokutokai Meeting . . .

Principal and Mrs. T. Sato will be the honored guests at a welcome party to be held at the home of Miss Chiyo Wakabayashi, 2456 McGill Street, this coming Sunday, December 7, at 2 p.m.

Every Hokutokai member is asked to be present.

• Mikado Seinenkai Wind-Up . . .

The members of the Mikado Seinenkai will wind up their sports activities with a banquet and dance this coming Saturday, December 6th, at the Fairview Japanese School.

The banquet, scheduled for 6:45 p.m. will be followed by ballroom dancing.

All members are invited to attend this gala evening. And remember, the program begins 6:45 p.m. sharp!

• Fuji Ski Club Social . . .

The place is Hastings Auditorium. The time is 9 p.m. The date is Saturday, December 6. And the event? Why, the annual Fuji Ski Club social to officially open the skiing season, of course! So, it's a date! You'll have a wonderful time!

• Roller Fest . . .

For a mere 35c you can roll away your cares at Happyland this coming Monday, December 8, so get your tickets now for the Hompa Y.M.B.A. Athletic Club's roller skating party.

• Christmas Ball . . .

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DECEMBER

1—Strathcona Badminton Club Skatefest, Happyland, 7.30 p.m.
4—Seikokai AYPA Meeting, Holy Cross, 8 p.m.
5—Nisei Fellowship Meeting, Celtic Cannery.
6—Mikado Seinenkai Social, Fairview School, 6.45 p.m.
6—Fuji Ski Club Social, Hastings Auditorium, 9 p.m.
7—Powell Junior Church Choral Service, 7.30 p.m.
8—Hompa YMBA Roller-Fest, Happyland, 7.30 p.m., 35c.
12—East End School Re-union, Commodore Cabaret.
25—JCCL Christmas Ball, Alma Academy.

Junior Church Will Hold Annual Xmas Choral Service

The Powell Junior church will hold its annual Christmas Choral Service next Sunday, December 7, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening at the Powell Street United Church. It will also be a White Gift Christmas, and gifts in money or articles will be gratefully received; these gifts to be distributed later among needy families by the Social Service Department.

Rev. K. Shimizu will preach on "Let Us Go Unto Bethlehem," and the choir led by Miss Margaret McDuffee, will render a special choral program as follows:

"Silent Night",
"Carol, O Ye Angels",
"O Holy Night", Miss Fumi Ohori, soloist,
"Good King Wenceslas",
"Behold, I bring You Good Tidings".

Miss Fumi Ohori will render a solo, and a mixed quartette including Misses Katherine Shimotakahara and Yae Suzuki and Dan Washimoto and Roy Shinobu will sing "A Quiet Chamber".

A hearty welcome is extended to all, both young and old.

• Rissho Social . . .

Hastings Auditorium will be the place; time, 9 p.m., date, December 24. An Xmas-eve social will be sponsored by the Rissho Seinenkai, with the Junior Division members invited as guests. The public is also cordially invited.

Loads of refreshments and surprises are waiting for you, you, and you! Come on folks, let's make it a grand get-together. It will provide a splendid chance to brush-up for the Christmas Ball the next day. The small sum of 35c per person will be asked at the door. Don't forget the date, December 24.—M.K.

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and members of the Delta-East Richmond-Surrey Chapter of the J.C.C.L. aided on the labelling. To all of them Tatsuro Suzuki, committee secretary, expressed thanks.

Said also C. S. W. Barwell, after he had laid aside his chop sticks and speaking for the Red Cross: "I am sure some bombed-out family will appreciates this gift . . . I think it is a great tribute to you people that in spite of the difficulties we are having in the Pacific, you have risen above them all in making this valuable contribution."

Doesn't Like Japanese Cook - Patron Invited To Leave By Cafe Owner

Mr. Clifford E. Clinton operates in Los Angeles two cafeterias, one of which is the largest in the world. In a recent issue of his weekly "oFod For Thot" distributed to his patrons there was an interesting exchange of correspondence between a customer and the management. The customer had written that he was glad that the cafeteria cater exclusively to the white race and mentioned that Orientals were not to his liking. He further added that he would cease to patronize the cafeteria should he find that Japanese cooks were in the kitchen. Mr. Clinton replied as follows:

"There are at least three principal reasons we do not cater exclusively to any race. The first is the Golden Rule—the second the U.S. Constitution which orders us, under penalty of the law, to serve all equally—without discrimination—the third is we love all people—Japanese, Chinese, German, or others. We do not like or condone what many of their leaders do and say—but we believe in a world which respects the rights of every man, rich or poor, of whatever race or creed. We have Japanese cooks as well as Chinese, Negro and White, and before we would change any for reason of race or creed—we'd see every guest quit us. If you are waiting to find out this to leave us, that time has come. Our Japanese Chef at 'Six Forty-eight' has lived in this country more years than I have—raised a family of good Americans. He is without doubt one of the finest men I have ever known. Our Chef at 'Six Eighteen' is a Chinese of the highest character. We consider it a privilege to call him our friend. Both these men worked for the Boos Bros. Co. for many years. They are top men in their profession, top in their character . . . When the time comes when we hold a limited regard for any person or people it will no longer be the Clifton's you enjoy. We will have shriveled in our souls and this would inevitably be reflected in every phase of our service."

RED CROSS News Notes

Last month 138 residents of B. C. received word from relatives in ten European countries under German domination, through the International Red Cross Committee in Geneva.

Ever since the war began the International Red Cross has made every effort to re-establish contact between interned soldiers, prisoners of war, civilian refugees and their families in occupied countries.

This province with its mixed foreign population has benefitted particularly and contacts have been made with 138 residents in 50 places.

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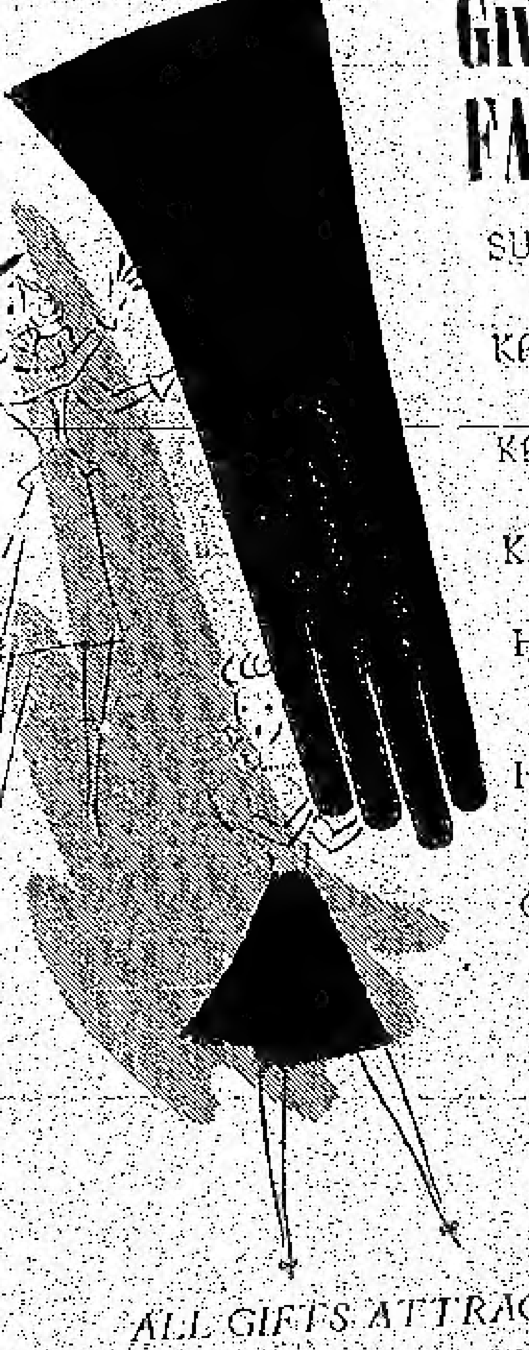

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Mournful Whistle Rouses Nihon-machi Fear of Pacific War

OAKLAND, Calif.—"Is it an invasion?" "F. s war been declared?" Such questions came to the ears of anxious Nihonmachi residents here Thursday night. Bearing out their fears a mournful blast continued to sound throughout the city.

Oakland police at first were at a loss to know what was going on; the public clamor demanded that something be done.

A gathering traffic jam led them to the scene of the trouble at 5th avenue and the Southern Pacific tracks, where a jammed locomotive whistle noisily held forth.

So great was the crush that the railroad crew finally ran the locomotive up and down the tracks to dodge the curious mob while waiting for the repairman.

Nihonmachi eventually breathed a sigh of relief and settled down to its various evening pursuits.

Inter-collegiate Debates Cancelled

By P. F. Y.

VANCOUVER. — War conditions and exchange control regulations have curtailed the activities of the Japanese Students' Club. The annual debates slated for this Christmas, at which time the local club was to send down its forensic teams to battle verbally with the University of Washington's J.S.C.'s teams, have been postponed for at least a year.

Negotiations revealed three alternatives: 1. That the local J.S.C. send down its teams provided that the debaters are to be accommodated at the expense of the Washington J.S.C. (because of exchange difficulties); 2. That the U. of W. send up its teams again; or, 3. That as a last resort this year's debates be cancelled.

Debate manager Fred Sasaki announces that the third course was chosen in view of all circumstances. It is hoped, however, that next year will be more favourable for holding the international debates, which have become a tradition of some 20 years standing.

● NISEI AMERICANA

The Land of the Free and Brave

SEATTLE, NEW YORK, and WAY POINTS.—Whatever may be said of the "international situation," of prejudice and discrimination, of no chance for Orientals, the old Horatio Alger tradition has been taken off the shelf, dusted off and polished up brightly these last few weeks. Literally a flood of Nisei names have hit the news headlines—not because of their misfortune, but because of their good fortune.

Seattle's community rejoiced this week in the appoint-ment of charming, intellectual 25-year-old MAY KUMASAKA, as laboratory technician to aid Dr. Philip Narodick, hospital superintendent at the King County tuberculosis hospital. Her appointment brings to fruition a brilliant scholastic career that saw her salutorian at high school graduation, awarded a bachelor of science by the University of Washington, and gain further laurels in post-graduate bacteriology at Stanford. Said the Seattle P. I. " . . . a tribute to the American-born Japanese."

Something to watch for too is Portland's husky, athletic SHIGEO ITAMI, 28, who last week donned the dark-blue uniform of a Portland Harness-bull. Three months of intensive trainnig in upholding the law, and he was qualified to tramp a patrol beat. He's the first in history in the City of Roses.

A new kind of career for Northwest Nisei girls is sug-gested by Seattle's 19-year-old HELEN NAKAGAWA, earnest and be-spectacled, who will arrive in New York this Sunday to enroll as a postulant at the Maryknoll Catholic Convent. After five years of study and consecration, she will be admitted to the Catholic sisterhood, and will join a Nisei girl from Texas and one from Oklahoma in those holy orders.

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In New York's centre of music and dance, Nisei too continue to go places. Expected to appear here soon on the stage is a troupe of seven Nisei girls, led by MADAME TEIKO ITO, New York-born Nisei, and sister-in-law of the famous Michio Ito, who can dance with his hands. They will interpret the dances of the Orient, and a successful debut here will lead, they and we hope, to a transcontinental tour . . . And likewise planning a tour as soon as they complete scholarship studies at the famous Julliard School of Music are MARIKO MUKAI, "accomplished coloratura soprano," KAZUKO TAJITSU, "violinist of rare merit," and TERUKO HIRASHIKI, "winning a name for herself as a concert pianiste" . . . and in Chicago, MARY AMANO of Seattle, who has appeared locally, has won another scholarship at the Chicago Conservatory of Music . . .

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Temporarily stopped in his drive for national fistic honors Tuesday night was "HOMICIDE HAL" HOSHINO, who fell before the blitzing blows of Filipino Jimmy Florito in Los Angeles. But then it happened to Joe Louis once too, so Homicide Hal is not downhearted—and still has a weather eye out for Madison Square Gardens . . . Every paper from the Queen City, Occidental and otherwise, has been featuring another top man in his line, husky CAPTAIN "JARRIN" BILL YANAGIMACHI, brilliant high school halfback, four-year letterman, and maybe a future All-American . . . Widely listened to and widely read has been wandering newspaper scribe, "BILL" HOSOKAWA, back from a two-year junket through the Orient and down the road to Mandalay . . .

Mission Miscellany

New United Church Cornerstone Laid

By K. NAKASHIMA

MISSION.—An impressive ceremony marked the laying of the corner stone of the Mission City Japanese United Church, Sunday afternoon, November 30.

Over fifty Canadian friends from far and near, representing congregations and their respective ministers, witnessed the event. Many of the Japanese congregation of 130, a far cry from the five members that gathered for devotional services in 1921, were also present.

Rev. Redman, of Chilliwack, Presbytery chairman, conducted the ceremony in which Rev. Walkinshaw of the Home Missions Board, Rev. W. P. Bunt, Rev. Horton, Rev. Shaw, Rev. MacKay, and Rev. Y. Akagawa, local pastor, took part.

The highlight of the ceremony was the depositing in the cornerstone of the Holy Bible, the history of the Church, and various other documents of importance.

Congratulatory Tea

At the tea that followed, words of greeting and congratulation were extended the Japanese congregation by Rev. W. P. Bunt, Superintendent of Home Missions, Mrs. Muldrew of the conference W.M.S., Mrs. Bathgate of the presbytery W. M. S., Rev. Horton of Queen's Avenue United Church, and Miss McKenzie, field secretary from Toronto. Rev. Akagawa responded on behalf of the congregation.

The $5,000 church, when completed, will be 26 feet wide and 50 feet long, with a full basement below for the Sunday School and Kindergarten, and a chapel above. It is located on 7th Street.

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SHOWER . . . Honouring Miss Joyce Judo, whose marriage to Mr. Toshihiko Miyagawa will take place soon, the C.G.I.T. and its many former members were hostesses at a delightful miscellaneous shower at the Mission City Japanese Community Hall, Saturday evening, November 29.

SHOW . . . The "Pride of the West" show, sponsored jointly by the Mission City Young Men's Association and the local Sunday School on November 21, was unexpectedly successful, with a capacity crowd in attendance.

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Organizational Meet For S. Fraser

By Mitzi

SURREY—"The Nisei must organize!" has been a by-word for a number of years, and many noteworthy second generation clubs and associations have been formed.

We, the "tillers of the soil" in Surrey, have come to realize how necessary a strong, compact, co-operative group of young people is. A representative group of the Surrey Nisei met with the first generation to discuss the question.

As was expected, our parents are very enthusiastic and are willing to support organizational plans to the limit. It is our hope that all young people south of the Fraser should form a federation of Nisei or Young People. We hope that all Niseis will come together to form the organization, rather than that we form the organization and invite the residents of contiguous districts to join.

This is a plea, then, for all young people south of the Fraser to gather at the Surrey Berry Growers' Hall at 2:30 p.m., December 7.

We would like to see you all from Langley and district, South Port Mann, and especially from Kennedy and Strawberry Hill. If a representative from the Delta-East Richmond-Surrey J.C.C.L. can attend it will be greatly appreciated. If there are any young people in districts not mentioned, please do come and put your district in the map.

By the way don't forget the talk on Russia to be given by Rev. Alex Grant, December 7, at 8 p.m. If you want knowledge, if you want to spend a pleasant evening, if you want to listen to a man who knows what he is talking about, come on out to the Surrey Hall.

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Mayo Shuttle Club Gift to Red Cross

By STAFF CORRESPONDENT

PALDI — Over 85 young people from Mid-Vancouver Island attended the Mayo Badminton Club Dance held in the Duncan Japanese Hall recently. Proceeds were given to the local branch of the Red Cross.

Arrangements for the dance which featured spotlight waltzes, novelty dances, and prizes were ably handled by the committee of four, Miss C. Akiyama, Miss Joyce Stubb, T. Toyota and K. Yoshida.

Music was by Tamura's 30-watt P.A. system.

A recent arrival to Mr. and Mrs. I. Tagami (nee Tomiko Takarabe) was a baby son at the King's Daughter's Hospital.

Miss Grace Terakita returned home to Vancouver after a short visit as a guest of Miss Chic Akiyama.

Victoria Cage Loop Finally Under Way

By JONI GOSSIPPE

VICTORIA — The much-delayed opening of the Victoria Japanese Community basketball season was ushered in Thursday, December 4, with the J.C.C.L. quintette stacking it up against the strong Taiyo aggregation, the defending champions.

The two-team junior circuit had its opening tussle last week, with the Flying Hearts taking the measure of the diminutive Thunderbolts by a 20-16 score. The winners got off to a "flying" start and held a 16-6 lead at the half-way mark. The slower starting Thunderbolts began clicking in the second half, outscoring their opponents, 10 to 4.

Flying Hearts: Bob Henmi 4, S. Uyede 2, J. Mori, Y. Nagao, S. Takata 2, G. Saito 8, J. Onishi 4. Total 20.

Thunderbolts: G. Nakamura 2, Y. Nagao, O. Shimizu 2, M. Uyede 6, B. Yoneda, H. Morita 6. Total 16.

Langley Lyrics . . .

By MARGARET TAKAOKA

SKATEFEST . . . The night of nights has come and gone! Beneath lowered lights and to the music of the latest popular songs of the day, a capacity crowd rolled away the evening of November 29 with the Langley Nisei Club at the "Happyland" at Milner, B. C.

Skating enthusiasts motored from as far away as Vancouver, Richmond and Mission. Bob Senda of Mission, and Ken Sunada of Surrey, took home the two raffle prizes of chocolates. The Langley Nisei Club extend their gratitude to all those who attended to make this event a super-success.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . Half an hour after the doors were opened all skates were S.R.O. To those who were unable to obtain skates, the Club extends their condolences. The special attraction—A clarinet solo by Yosh Sugiyama of Bradner . . . Something different — Music from Japanese recordings . . . Special thanks to Mrs. O. Shigehiro for her kind donation of refreshments.

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Riverside Reveille

Forsake Fraser For Fresher Fields

B-O-R-N—To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Onotera, a bouncing baby boy at the Vancouver General Hospital, November 17th. Congratulations!

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A party of over 70 people from Vancouver, Ladner, East Richmond, Strawberry Hill, and Sunbury, were guests at the house-dance of Mr. and Mrs. G. Suzuki on November 30 in their new home, just opposite the Sunbury wharf.

Everyone enjoyed a very pleasant evening with Captain Eiki playing the records of popular and old time music. The group included English, Scotch, Irish, Swedish, Finnish, and others, as well as many first and second generation Japanese.

Riverside J. C. C. L.'s big Christmas and New Year Dance is definitely settled for December 27, in Kennedy Hall on Scott Road. Music will be supplied by one of the outstanding bands on the mainland. Tickets are now available from any member of the Chapter, and already scores have been asked for by the friendly Woodfibrians alone. So get your ticket (preferably tickets) early and don't miss this year end's major social function.

Fishing on the Fraser closed November 28 for an indefinite period, with most of the Niseis welcoming (?) the closure.

Now Tom Oikawa, Bill Sasaki and others can work in the mills without disturbing dreams of gill-netting. Thomas Tamaki has already hied himself to the City to continue his studies. Sauce, Jack, Goro and Hoch can practise their dancing lessons more often. Kisa, Smart Man, and Don can also enjoy their hobbies (whatever they are?); Eiki Oikawa can spend more time with his car. And this goes for Hides and G'amp, too. And, oh yes, our president can spend his days beside his baby!

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Labor's Function in Society

The practice of collective bargaining although it is vitally concerned with wages and other working conditions of workers is not restricted to enforcing and developing these alone. J. Cohen, K.C., Canada's foremost labour lawyer, in his book, "Collective Bargaining in Canada," in his section on the role of collective bargaining, sums up the purpose as,

"Labour must be an active participant in industry and society. That is the slogan, and, at the same time, the role and objective of collective bargaining."

This means that when employers refuse to grant trade union recognition or to permit union representation, and the acquiescence in such refusal by the Industrial Disputes Inquiry Commission or the Government, the issue involves more than denying to a given body of workers the right to establish an effective instrument for negotiating and maintaining their wage rates and working conditions with their common employer.

Implies Labour's Role in Society

Collective bargaining, it cannot be made too clear, implies much more than management sitting down with union representatives in a labour conference to arrange or discuss a specific contract. This of course is the first task, for it helps the worker to maintain or better his living standards and to keep himself in condition to function as a useful member of society. But this is only the beginning of the process of collective bargaining, which has as its ultimate objective the securing for labour generally the right to participate, and by trade unions the means of participating, in shaping the pattern and progress of society.

The principle of collective bargaining has included within itself the recognition of the fact that workers have a role to perform in the industries in which they are respectively engaged, and through their organization in the broader realm of the policies of the nation. Conversely, the denial of the principle of collective bargaining is, in the final analysis, a refusal to permit labour to take even the initial steps which, applied throughout industry, would enable it to exert its proper influence.

Not a Commodity—A Dynamic Force

An understanding and acceptance of the principle of collective bargaining with all that it implies has as an essential prerequisite the abandonment of the concept of labour as a commodity and the acceptance of the concept of labour as a dynamic force to exercise its energies as a participant in determining and administering the affairs of the country.

If the concept is limited to the narrower sense and considered only as a better bargaining medium for specific groups of workers, and not extended to include its full meaning as a social force, the commodity concept will prevail, even though it be on a collective instead of a unit basis. To discard this commodity concept, workers must organize in trade unions embracing all, and must be able to function as an integral factor in determining and executing social policies, as well as industrial activity.

For labour to be a full participant in the affairs of the nation it is apparent that workers must be free to choose the particular form and medium which they are to use, without influence or interference by their employers or their agents. Only when the workers' organization is able to function without employer control can it be the medium for the expression of their collective views, and only under this condition can these views be translated into concrete social policies. Only when workers have well defined lines of social and political activity can society receive their benefit.

Democratizing Force

Society as a whole stands to benefit from the fullest exertion of the democratizing force of labour in the day to day relations of society itself as well as in industry. This force may best find its expression through legislation and administrative policy; and by the very nature of things, in the important inter-play of social forces it is impossible for any legislative or administrative program to follow a neutral course. It remains that the policy will be directed to the greater participation of organized workers in the affairs of the nation, or to the isolating and excluding of the vital force of labour in determining the destiny of the country.

A full understanding of the role of collective bargaining in our social relations between worker and employer assures to the worker a larger control over his own destiny by providing a medium through which he is able to express and execute in a more adequate degree his many needs. The worker through the legislative program of his bargaining agency is able to extend the field of his control over his own living by becoming an active participant in the affairs of the country.

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MAIKAWA'S BASH MARPOLE IN SCRAMBLE--LEAD LOOP

In an alleged basketball game Wednesday night that was a mixture of football, rugby and wrestling all combined in one, T. Maikawa's were proclaimed undisputed leaders of the senior loop by nosing out the hard-checking Marpole squad by a lone basket, 23-21.

In spite of the fact that the overworked arbiters, Kito Kato and Sakai Tsukamoto hopped about picking out the fouls, the game roughened up to such a pitch that director Mi Akiyama had to come out on the floor to warn the teams of the unnecessary rough stuff.

As far as the torrid game was concerned the huskier Maikawa team simply out-drove, out-fought and out-lasted the Miike men. Maikawa's greatly handicapped by the absence of playmaker Joe Akiyama and Jeep Inamoto made up by checking like demons and keeping one jump ahead of the Marpolemen.

In the hectic last quarter with score 18-17 for Marpole, the pace really grew hot, Jinx Miike potted a foul shot to give Marpole a 2 point lead, but Kaz Suga retaliated to deuce the game. Kiyoshi Suga swished one from the corner, followed with another by Mike Maruno. Four points down, Marpole were only able to get back two when Fujioka uncorked a long pot-shot.

Jinx Miike was high man for the losers with 10, Baron Kakabayashi topped the winners with 6.

Maikawa—Kaz Suga (1); Kiyoshi Suga (4); Uno (5); Wakabayashi (6); Maruno (2); Yanagizawa (2)—23.

Marpole—Shimoda; S. Miike (5); Fujioka (6); Hori; J. Miike (10); Nakagawa; Fukumoto—21.

Score by Quarters—				
Maikawa	6	10	17	23
Marpole	4	11	18	21

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Intermediate Campaigns

'Bums' on Top—Comets Squeeze Win

This scribe may be a 'wrong-way Corrigan' in lots of predictions but when I prognosticated lots of surprises and upsets in the intermediates way back at the start of the Season I certainly hit it on the head. In the latest surprise, dem amazing 'bums', known as the Ink Spots, castaways of the senior loop plus veteran intermediates, hurdled their toughest opponents from Celtic Cannery to a tune of 35-16 Tuesday night for their third consecutive win of the season.

The unlucky Steveston quintette bowed out for their third loss of the season when the Comets nudged them out by one basket 26-24, in a 5-minute overtime period.

Both team's shooting was way off par and costly fouls allowed Toki Toyama to pot two free throws to send the game into overtime.

Kaoru Natsuhara's lone counter was the only basket of the overtime period.

Ink Spots' close checking proved the downfall of Celtics' smooth organized plays, and while Celtics were picking themselves up the Ink Spots, led by floor-general Nobby Tanaka and sharpshooter Ken Onishi, leaped way ahead and by three-quarter time the score stood 26-10 for the 'bums'.

Ink Spots—Masuda (2); Goto; Sato (4); Nikaido (8); Onizuka (2); Onishi (12); Tanaka (1); Akiyama (6)—35.

Celtic—Sasaki (2); Ishikawa (6); Kadonaga; Miki; Minamimaye (2); T. Kano (1); S. Kano—16.

Steveston—Naruse (4); K. Mukai (4); Niwatsukino; Oda (4); Miyashita (4); Nakade; Ichino (6); U. Mukai; Mori—24.

Comets—Natsuhara (6); Miyazaki; Toyama (7); Maikawa (8); Funamoto (3); Shimada; Uyeno (2)—26.

dis 'n dat PARADE

The Nisei melon-tossers' loop is getting more interesting each week as evenly calibred quintettes clash to plenty of exciting upsets and victories. On the Hoop menu for tomorrow and next week are as follows:

SATURDAY, DEC. 6
6-7—Nomads vs. Monarchs.
8-9—Hurricane vs. Acme.
8-9—Tuxis vs. Tammy's.

TUESDAY, DEC. 9
7.30—Tuxis vs. Celtics.
8.30—Cagettes.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10
7.30—Comets vs. Ink Spots.
8.30—Marple vs. M. & N.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11
7.30—Nippons vs. Varsity.
(King Edward Gym)

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With only one more scheduled game this Sunday before the play-offs start, Eichi Goto's Ex-Nippons needn't worry whether they lose or win this Sunday. With 5 straight wins on their record the coveted bye-spot in the race for the Tanaka Brothers Cup is 'in the bag'.

This Sunday, Ex-Nippons will play the re-inforced Cambie Tigers at Powell Grounds while Kitsilano plays hosts to the cellar place Fairview Bluebirds.

TEAM STANDING

	W	L
Ex-Nippons	6	0
Cambie Tigers	2	2
Kitsilano Redwings	2	3
Fairview Bluebirds	0	4

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Fuyokai will attempt to keep their string of victories intact this Sunday when they meet Futabaka. The game starts at 12 and will not finish until 3 o'clock. Should Fuyokai lose it will create a tie for the first spot and also one for the cellar spot.

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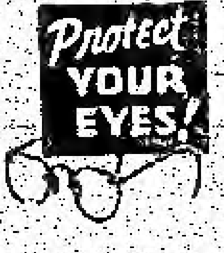

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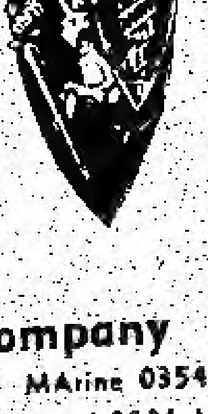
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SHUTTLE REPS TROUNCE DIE-HARDS IN DEBUT

Johnny and Lucy Lead In Triumph

A bright debut, superby won! Strathcona shuttle reps turned in their first win of the new season last night by thoroughly trouncing last year's champion Die Hards, taking 11 games out of the possible 18.

When it comes to dishing out blue-ribbon valor awards, hand them to either Johnny Tanaka or diminutive Lucy Fujimagari, the twosome that's really going to take Strathcona places this year. Both Johnny and Miss Fujimagari came through their assignments with flying colors and were more than instrumental in the Nipponese victory.

Strathcona men's doubles teams, Ernie Arikado-Yoshio Matsui and Johnny Tanaka-Mas Matsui experienced little difficulty in taking all their games. The old masters had everything required — expert footwork, smashing drives, uncanny net plays and 'Lady-Luck'.

The ladies' doubles was a split decision. Lucy Fujimagari and Fumi Deshima paired up to make up one invincible twosome, but Hide Hyodo and Teiko Ido lost their games to the harder hitting Die Hard ladies.

Next Wednesday from 7.30 Strathcona will visit Woodsonians at Chalmers gym.

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RESULTS

Men's Doubles

Arikado-Y. Matsui bt. Woodcock-Russel (21-14); and Craig-Kennedy (21-6); J. Tanaka-M. Matsui bt. Craig-Kennedy (15-5); Woodcock-Russel (15-9).

Mixed Doubles

Tanaka-Lucy Fujimagari bt. Russel-Miss Kennedy (15-9), and Woodcock-Mrs. Klein (15-2); Y. Matsui-Fumi Deshima bt. Mrs. Russel-Kennedy (15-9); Mrs. Klein-Woodcock bt. Y. Matsui-Fumi Deshima (15-11); Arikado-Teiko Ide bt. Miss Gair-Craig (15-8); Miss Kennedy-Russel bt. Arikado-Teiko Ide (15-7); Miss Gair-Craig bt. M. Matsui-Hide Hyodo (15-13); M. Matsui-Hide Hyodo (15-6).

Ladies' Doubles

Lucy Fujimagari-Fumi Deshima bt. Mrs. Russel-Miss Gair (15-8); and Miss Kennedy-Mrs. Klein (15-12); Hide Hyodo-T. Ide lost to Mrs. Russel-Miss Gair (10-15); and Miss Kennedy-Mrs. Klein (8-15).

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NIPS BOUNCE ANGELUS, 27-21 FOR 2nd WIN

Unfurl the Victory flag again and let it soar majestically aloft. It was a tired but a happy bunch of Community League Nippons that returned home last night after chalking up their second win in six starts at the expense of Angelus Hotel by a score of 27-21 at the King Ed. gym.

The big guns of last night's affray were Mush Fukumoto, Toki Toyama and Satoshi Yamabe, who supplied all the punch in the Nippon victory. These three stalwarts led the Nippons in the sparkling attacks that supplied the crucial points much to the delight of coach Fujioka and director Mi Akiyama.

Although the score was close until the middle-mark of the third frame, the Nippons slowly edged ahead and held a comfortable lead at the final whistle.

Mush Fukumoto topped the scoring with 8 while Toki Toyama trailed a close second, just one digit behind. Toru Tokawa, the big cog in the Nippon machine, watched the game from the sidelines with a bad cold.

Nippons meet Varsity next Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at King Edward.

Nippons—Fukumoto (8), Toyama (7), Miiki, Yamabe (3), Tsukamoto (5), Miyazaki (4)—27.

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Sports Spotlite

By S. O.

As a sports' scribe of the various sports doing in this community, it would naturally be my duty to blast the present brand of hoopla dished out weekly. But this privilege which I possess is not a cherished one, for in my capacity as the secretary of the loop I must also defend and explain the rough-and-tumble tactics of the cagers.

First, the games are getting rough, no mistake about that. Unnecessarily rough too. For instance the last game between Marpole and Maikawa's really stunk with dirt. Neither team gets all the blame for both were playing rough. The refs were practically helpless. They let so many calls go that in the end the players just about did as they pleased without the ref wising up.

Much to the relief of everyone present the slugfest came to an end with nothing worse than a couple of bruised knees, scratched arms and flaring tempers. This kind of an exhibition is certainly not going to help the cage loop any, in fact it can do a lot of harm in breaking down the prestige so carefully built up in the last four years.

Where is all this going to get us? The same brand of ball is slowly creeping into the intermediate and junior divisions. When you watch these up-and-coming kids in the junior ranks dishing out the same kind of dirt, it's time something was done about it. In a couple of years the gymn instead of promoting basketball may eventually promote boxing.

Part of the blame per usual goes to the two harried adjudicators. Its tough on them and I myself would not certainly cherish the thought of keeping order in such a mad-house, but why are they in there? Why don't they toot that whistle more often. Break up some of those unnecessary close checking where a check literally wraps himself around the ball-carrier. This leads to rising tempers and eventually to pushing around.

Toot the whistle more often and maybe there will still be a bit of basketball left in the loop.

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The Japanese Table Tennis League will sponsor their annual Closed Tournament on the 11th, 12th and 13th of December. Early entries have already come in and a most successful tournament is foreseen.

League members are asked to send in their entries as soon as possible to director Bing Tanaka. 25c entry fee will be charged.

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The starting date of the Japanese Badminton Loop, which was scheduled to open their season this week, is still indefinite. A meeting will be held again, possibly this Sunday.

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Men's Five-Pin Loop To Open Monday

The first Nisei Men's 5-Pin Bowling League will waste no further time in getting started. Coming Monday, December 8 at 9:00 p.m. the curtain rises at the Seymour Chapman alleys for 10 weeks of competitive team bowling with eight 5-men teams lined up and ready to battle for the tempting prize money at stake.

The first three teams will figure in the playoffs at the end of the tenth week. The second and third will meet in the semis to decide which will play the top ranking squad for the league championship. It was decided at the meeting last Wednesday to split the prize money in three ways, $12.50 for the winners, $10.00 for second and $7.50 for the third team.

Seventy per cent of the difference in team totals was set as the handicap to be applied both in the regular league games and also in the final playoffs.

Every bowler will be required to pay 5c each night and a 25c entry fee ($1.25 per team) to go towards the pot money.

Co-Directors

Tad Kondo and Mas Isoshima, co-directors of the league will undertake the figuring of weekly averages both individual and teams and act as treasurers for the league.

The eight team captains so far named are: Team 1—Mas Ishihara; Team 2—Seiji Onizuka; Team 3—Roy Fujimoto; Team 4—Ken Kutsukake; Team 5—Harold Kutsukake; Team 6—Mas Isoshima; Team 7—Otto Yanagizawa; Team 8—Tad Kondo.

Schedule for the first night is: Mas Ishihara vs. Seiji Onizuka; Roy Fujimoto vs. Ken Kutsukake; Harold Kutsukake vs. Mas Isoshima; Otto Yanagizawa vs. Tad Kondo. The complete schedule will be drawn up later. No games will be played on Monday's, December 22 and 29.

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